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"THE SALOON MUST GO"
"THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC CANNOT BE LICENSED WITHOUT SIN."

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PROHIBITION NATIONAL CONFERENCE.

It is very important that a full delegation of Prohibitionists from Kentucky attend the National Prohibition conference to be held at Buffalo August 1 and 2. Many of us will be going to the Pan-American exposition, and can choose this time as well as any other to make the trip. The railroad fare is so small that to fail to go and take in the great exposition and the Niagara Falls and the conference, all on the same trip, would be a mistake no Prohibitionist can well afford to make.

Remember we have been spending no money for liquor, and most of us have saved that big bill, and consequently have a little left for such pleasure trips as this one will be, and at the same time an educational one.

All who intend to go will please write the editor of this paper at once and he will make all necessary arrangements for their comfort and pleasure. The plan is to leave Louisville Tuesday morning, July 30, and go to Cincinnati, meeting other Prohibitionists there and on through to Buffalo.

Later arrangements will be made, but the above is an outline. If you are contemplating going do not fail to write us. Let us all go in a body. It will be more pleasant to us.

Dear Vindicator:

Having promised to give you jottings along the route of my itinerary I write again.

From Fulton I went to Clinton. There Rev. J. B. Gooch, evangelist for the first district, had appointments for Monday and Tuesday nights, June 10 and 11, but Prof. James A. Tate, of Dyer, Tenn., our national secretary, coming along, Monday night was given to him.

Prof. Tate's lecture was a rare treat, and showed him a master in his line. As an impersonator of the drunkard he is unexcelled, and his quaint humor entertains while his irresistible logic convinces. Being a college man, he contrasted the educational value of the two institutions, the school and the

saloon, and brought strongly before the minds of his hearers the depth of the mystery as to how men can support both.

On Tuesday night Rev. Gooch filled his appointment, and in a forcible manner showed the infamy and the growth of the drink traffic, and gave clearly the remedy for the evil.

These lectures will doubtless do good, though this is a hard territory to win for national prohibition, as all this Purchase country has had prohibition by local option for some twenty five years, except the cities of Paducah, Fulton and Wickliffe, and the law is fairly well enforced, "tigers" rarely ever getting a foothold. Still there is considerable dissipation, the boot-legger being not unknown. But the most frequent source of conviviality is the "openings." These are liberally patronized by the young men, often minors, who club in together and order by the gallon whisky by express or beer by the keg, which is taken to a place appointed, a quiet grove perhaps, where they hold high carnival and become drunkards. Hence many good men are coming to see that the only salvation for the country depends on the idea of party prohibition.

After Clinton I came to Bardwell, from which place I am now writing. Here on last Saturday I attended the county prohibition convention, proceedings of which I have sent you. The ticket put out is an excellent one, and will, no doubt, win many votes to our party.

I learn Wickliffe has formed a strong prohibition club, and raised means for an active and protracted warfare against the saloon, both local and national. As I go there next I hope to be able to give you more definite information later on. Long live the Vindicator.

H. W. DAVIS.

June 19, 1901.

CARLISLE COUNTY PROHIBITION CONVENTION.

The Prohibitionists of Carlisle county met in convention at the court house in Bardwell, Saturday, June 15, 1901.

The convention was called to order at 2:30 p. m. and presided over by Dr. J. S. Petrie, county chairman.

A rousing address was delivered by Prof. J. B. Gooch, district evangelist.

Dr. Petrie, J. W. Blessing and C. R. Pile followed with appropriate remarks.

The following candidates were then

nominated for the offices indicated, viz.:

For State Senator—District No. 2, Rev. J. D. Kirkpatrick, of McCracken county.

For Representative—Ballard and Carlisle counties, J. W. Blessing.

For County Judge—C. R. Pile.

For Superintendent of Schools—Mrs. L. Wilmer Biggs.

The following resolutions were then adopted, after which the convention adjourned sine die.

RESOLUTIONS.

The Prohibitionists of Carlisle county in convention assembled, this June 15, 1901, adopt the following resolutions, viz.:

Whereas, there is no question of government, whether local, state or national at all comparable in importance to the beverage liquor traffic which is blighting our homes, destroying the peace and prosperity of our people, producing crime, and sending thousands of our citizens to their graves every year, therefore,

Be it Resolved, That we are opposed to the manufacture, sale, importation and exportation of alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes.

That we are opposed to the license system from the simple fact that crime cannot be made respectable, less heinous or destructive because revenue is received for that which produces it, nor can sin be condoned, evil be made good, nor wrong be made right by licensing them. That we condemn the attempt of the war department in circulating broadcast over the country false statements regarding the effects of the repeal of the canteen law with the evident purpose of creating a sentiment in favor of re-establishing that abomination in our army.

That, though we are in the minority, we glory in the principles of our own party, invite the candid investigation of these principles by all fair-minded men, and ask the support of our candidates by all who wish good, honest, efficient officers.

J. B. GOOCH, Ch'm.

J. W. BLESSING,

C. R. PILE,

Committee

Col. T. B. Demaree, as has already been noted, has purchased a tent and will hold Prohibition camp meeting throughout the state. If you want a meeting held in your town or community write to Col. Demaree at Union Mills, Ky. He should be kept busy all the time as he will do us great good.